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MINUTES OF SYNOD.

THURSDAY, Oct. 27th, 1859.

Pursuant to adjournment, the members composing the thirty-sixth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, and adjacent States, assembled at Beth-Eden Church, Newberry District, South Carolina.

Religious services were introduced by Rev. J. P. Margart and the Synodical Sermon was delivered by Rev. S. Bouknight, President of Synod. Text, Isa. iii., 10: "*Say ye to the righteous that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.*"

FIRST SESSION.

2 o'clock, P. M.

The members of Synod re-assembled in the church, and the session was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. A. J. Karn.

The roll was called and the absentees noted. The lay-delegates then presented their credentials, and were received as members of Synod.

ORDAINED MINISTERS PRESENT.

1. Rev. N. ALDRICH..... Newberry C. H., S. C.
2. " J. AUSTIN..... Springfield, Ga.
3. " J. BACHMAN, D. D.... Charleston, S. C.
4. " J. H. BAILEY..... Saluda Mills, S. C.
5. " C. F. BANSEMER..... Walhalla, S. C.
6. " L. BEDENBAUGH..... Haralson, Ga.
7. " C. H. BERNHEIM..... Ocala, Fla.
8. " T. S. BOINEST..... Pomaria, S. C.
9. " E. A. BOLLES..... Orangeburg C. H., S. C.
10. " S. BOUKNIGHT..... Leesville, S. C.

11. " W. S. BOWMAN..... Charleston, S. C.
12. " J. A. BROWN, D. D.... Newberry C. H., S. C.
13. " E. CAUGHMAN..... West Creek, S. C.
14. " E. DUFFORD..... Fort Motte, S. C.
15. " G. HALTIWANGER.... Springfield, Ga.
16. " J. HAWKINS Newberry, C. H., S. C.
17. " E. B. HORT..... Columbia, S. C.
18. " W. A. HOUCK..... Orangeburg C. H., S. C.
19. " A. J. KARN..... Savannah, Ga.
20. " A. W. LINDLER..... Germanville, S. C.
21. " J. B. LOWMAN..... Pleasant Springs, S. C.
22. " J. P. MARGART..... Sandy Run, S. C.
23. " L. MULLER..... Charleston, S. C.
24. " D. SHEALY..... Rockville, S. C.
25. " T. STORK, D. D..... Newberry C. H., S. C.
26. " H. SToudenMIRE..... Fort Motte, S. C.
27. " J. H. W. WERTS..... Germanville, S. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS ABSENT.

1. Rev. S. W. BEDENBAUGH... Hamburg, Ga.
2. " W. BERLY.*..... Lexington C. H., S. C.
3. " B. F. BERRY..... Cowpen Branch, S. C.
4. " E. ELMORE..... Haralson, Ga.
5. " W. EPPING..... Savannah, Ga.
6. " G. R. HAIGLER..... Manach, Ala.
7. " J. KLECKLEY..... Hamburg, Ga.
8. " J. MOSER..... Hope Station, S. C.
9. " M. RAUCH..... Germanville, S. C.

LICENTIATES PRESENT.

1. Rev. S. BAYLEY..... Beaufort's Bridge, S. C.
2. " P. DERRICK..... Orangeburg, S. C.
3. " J. N. DERRICK..... Graniteville, S. C.
4. " M. WHITTLE*..... Newberry, S. C.

TREASURERS.

1. Mr. S. CORLEY, Tr. of Synod, Lexington, S. C.
2. " J. F. SCHIRMER, Tr. of Seminary, Charleston, S. C.
3. Maj. J. P. KINARD, Tr. of Widows' Fund, Newberry, S. C.

* Appeared after first day.

LAY DELEGATES.

1.	Mr. H. COBIA	from Dr. J. Bachman's charge.
2.	" J. H. COUNTS.....	" Rev. J. H. Bailey's "
3.	" G. F. HUGHES.....	" " B. F. Berry's "
4.	" G. A. RISER.	" " T. S. Boinest's "
5.	" PATRICK E. WISE	" " S. Bouknight's "
6.	" JOS. E. CORLEY.....	" " E. Caughman's "
7.	" J. G. HOUSEAL.	" " J. Hawkins' "
8.	" H. SEAY.....	" " A. W. Lindler's "
9.	" JOHN HILLER, Sen....	" " J. B. Lowman's "
10.	" WM. ASSMAN.....	" " J. P. Margart's "
11.	" H. STENDER.....	" " L. Muller's "
12.	" J. BLACK.....	" " J. H. W. Werts' "
13.	" H. J. HARTER.....	" " S. Bayley's "
14.	" JAS. D. KELLER... ..	" " P. Derrick's "
15.	" J. E. BOWERS.... .	" " W. S. Bowman's "
16.	" W. W. HOUSEAL.....	" " T. Stork's "
17.	" J. S. LONG.....	" " W. Berly's "
18.	" ADAM EPTING.....	" " J. Moser's "
19.	" W. K. BACHMAN.....	" " E. B. Hort's "
20.	" D. KLECKLEY.....	" " S.W.Bedenbaughs "

Mr. John Riser was received as Commissioner from St. Paul's charge, now vacant.

Rev. Levi C. Grossclose was introduced as corresponding delegate from North Carolina Synod, and invited to participate in our deliberations.

Rev. T. Stork, D. D., President of Newberry College, Rev. J. A. Brown, D.D., Professor of Theology in our Seminary, Rev. W. S. Bowman of Charleston, and Dr. G. Muller, President of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, were invited to seats as advisory members.

The President of Synod now read his annual report, which was received and laid on the table, to be placed in the hands of a committee.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Dearly Beloved Brethren,—By the ever-watchful care of our Heavenly Father, we have been permitted to meet again in holy Convocation. We assemble for the two-fold purpose of bringing together, as an organized portion of Christ's Church, the results of our annual labors, and to confer with each other in mutual consent, about the future interests of our Zion; to share common counsel without distrust, to hear of each other's fame without jealousy, delighting in each other's honors; living like those that have but one head, and praying like those that possess one heart. Ours is the duty and privilege, in connection with the delegation from the churches, to combine our counsels in maturing Scriptural plans for the efficient cultivation of that portion of the Master's vineyard confided

to our care. There is a responsibility resting upon us, and these occasions always present a fit opportunity to review the labors of the past, to discover the deficiency of our operations, and to gather light and strength for our future guidance. The most of us are here. A few have been prevented by distance and limitation of means, and a very few by old age and infirmity. Sickness, to some extent, has visited some of our charges; but so far we have abundant cause to thank God that that scourge, Yellow Fever, has not visited the sea-port towns in the bounds of our Synod; so that among our lay members and Lutheran families generally, there have been comparatively but few deaths this year. Thus the favors of temporal life have been multiplied to our community, but our official and clerical ranks have been broken by the resistless hand of death. Our worthy and efficient Corresponding Secretary, the Rev. L. Eichelberger, D. D., is no more. We are informed through the Lutheran Observer, that this brother finished his earthly career at Winchester, Va., on the 16th of September, 1859, in the fifty-seventh year of his age. We rejoice to hear that this faithful and self-denying servant of God died in the faith of the Gospel. Death found him with the harness still on, ready to do or die, as his Lord might order. His death was peace and triumph. When he had but strength to whisper a few words at a time, he said to a brother in the ministry: "Christ is a precious Saviour—he does more than he promises for his dying followers—go preach to sinners—Christ will save them all—nothing but Christ will do in death."

With him the warfare is over and the victory won. May his virtues be embalmed in our hearts.

I. OFFICIAL.

I have been called upon to perform but one official act this year. I received a letter bearing date the 30th of May, 1859, from the Rev. W. S. Bowman, giving me official notice that he had, on the 22d of that month, assumed the pastoral charge of Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the city of Charleston, and requested me to appoint a committee to install him, whereupon the Rev. Dr. Bachman and T. S. Boines were appointed, who proceeded to his installation according to the usages of our church. I am happy to hear that this brother is laboring with success and general satisfaction in his new field.

II. APPLICATION FOR CONNECTION WITH SYNOD.

Enclosed, also, in the same letter of the 30th of May last, I received a certificate of honorable dismissal, granted to the Rev. W. S. Bowman, by the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia, showing his regular dismissal, at his own request, in order to unite with us. This letter and certificate, which accompany this report, will require the action of this Ministerium.

III. VACANCIES AND SUPPLIES.

Early in January last, I received a letter from the Rev. B. F. Berry, Pastor of St. Nicholas and Mount Pleasant Churches, in Barnwell District, S. C., stating that he expected to be under the necessity of vacating his charge of said churches, but we have not been informed whether he did so or not.

By the removal of the Rev. J. P. Margart to Sandy Run Church, St. Paul's, in Newberry District, became vacant, but we have understood that this vacancy has been partially supplied by the professors of Newberry College. Other changes have taken place and vacancies have occurred, but to what extent I am unable to state, as I have received no notice of it, hence I am not able to give the desired information. A close adherence to the constitution is always necessary, otherwise unforeseen difficulties will beset our path.

IV. OUR COLLEGE AND SEMINARY AT NEWBERRY.

Our literary institution formerly at Lexington, has been removed to Newberry, and changed into a college. An elegant building has been erected and the institution has opened in its new location under very favorable prospects, numbering over one hundred students. The Rev. Dr. T. Stork, of Philadelphia, has been elected president.

Our Theological Seminary has also been removed from Lexington, by the Board of Directors, and gone into operation in the college building at Newberry, in that part which has been appropriated for that purpose, in its construction. The Rev. J. A. Brown, D. D., of Reading, Pa., has been elected Professor of Theology; but as you will have reports both from the trustees of the college and the Board of Directors of the seminary, we will dispense with any further details, and refer you to their respective reports for information relative to the objects committed to their supervision. Permit me, however, to say that these institutions demand our watchful care and earnest and prayerful coöperation. The vast amount of good already accomplished by our theological seminary, should inspire us with redoubled zeal and activity, while the college, now in its infancy, but at no distant day *destined* to become the pride and glory of the southern church, should be regarded as a subject of the first importance.

V. CHURCH EXTENSION.

Some time in the month of September I received a letter from the Rev. W. Berly, stating that he had succeeded in having a neat and comfortable church erected in the town of Frog Level, in Newberry District, and that it had been dedicated to the service of God, on the fourth Sunday in August, by the name and title of Newville. This was certainly a wise and timely effort for that place, as it is surrounded more or less by a population whose feelings have been identified with our church. This being a central point, affords facilities for access from every direction, and must therefore always command a large congregation.

VI. MISSIONARY AND MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

On the 26th of July, I received a letter from the Rev. C. H. Bernheim, our missionary to Florida, in which he states that he is making every effort, and is laboring with indefatigable diligence to build up the kingdom of Christ, and establish our church in that country. He states that our people are so much scattered, that it calls loudly for another missionary to be sent there in order to labor effectually among them. He states that at Long Swamp, they have already taken the preliminary steps to build a Lutheran Church, but will not commence until January. So much of his letter as relates to that matter, I beg leave to present to the Synodical Missionary Society, for their consideration.

During the past year, the Edgefield Conference made arrangements to partially supply the town of Graniteville, in Edgefield District, with divided missionary labors, and being fully satisfied that the prospects were flattering to raise a society of Lutherans at that place, at their last meeting at St. Mark's Church, embracing the fifth Sabbath in July last, they resolved to make an effort to build a Lutheran Church in the town of Graniteville; and, through a committee appointed for that purpose, addressed circulars to all the ministers in charge of churches in South Carolina, asking them to take up subscriptions in their several churches to aid in the enterprise. But if the church is built, the Third Conference cannot give it a stated supply, therefore I most earnestly call the attention of the Missionary Society to this important station, and trust they will make such arrangements as shall meet the wants of our people at that place for the ensuing year.

I also received a letter from the Rev. E. Caughman, bearing date, West Creek, S. C., October 9th, 1859, and another from the Rev. J. B. Lowman, of Pleasant Springs, S. C., dated October 12th, 1859; both of which give interesting statements of the work of grace in their respective charges. I would therefore recommend that they be placed in the hands of the Committee on the State of Religion, that they may be reported on as usual.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS.

While I would not wish a thought indulged that I questioned the wisdom or forethought of this body, but presuming upon your uniform kindness and forbearance, I would beg the privilege to offer a few suggestions for your consideration.

1. Although our ministers generally take an interest in Bible, tract and missionary societies, much still remains for them to do, in suitably applying these efficient aids to piety, which God has for many years so signally blessed; and as the funds of our missionary society have become considerably exhausted, would it not be well to make some special effort to increase it according to its present demands?

2. In the cause of total abstinence from all that will intoxicate, our clergy have generally taken an active part; still intemperance, that deadly foe to religion and happiness, is not subdued. Although thousands have withdrawn from the influence of this tempter of our race, yet there are still tens of thousands of others that are either enslaved by this monster, or are in danger of falling victims to his rapacious grasp. It teaches, therefore, not only every minister, but every professor of our faith, to use his efforts in behalf of a cause so fraught with the happiness of humanity, and which has proved a powerful auxiliary to the promotion of religion.

3. In regard to parochial reports, would it not be much better for the communicants of each church to be separately and distinctly reported, instead of the present plan?

CONCLUSION.

Dear Brethren, These are the chief matters I have to communicate to you, but allow me to add that from all that I have been able to learn of the state of our churches, I am prepared to say to you, that where the means of grace have been enjoyed—where the Word of God has been faithfully preached, and the sacraments administered, our churches have not only maintained their ground, but in many instances improved, as we shall no doubt learn by the reports which will be made at this meeting. Brethren of the laity—aid us in our great work by your earnest, constant and fervent prayers, by your faithful counsels, and by a holy and exemplary life.

And now, my time of service having expired for which I have been elected, I return back to you the high trust which your partiality placed in my hands; and allow me to thank you for your kind forbearance with my incapacity.

Finally, let us look to the Father of all mercies for His grace and spirit to guide us to happy results in maturing plans for the furtherance of His kingdom on earth; and when our labors shall have ceased, may we all be crowned as His, through Christ our Redeemer.—Amen.

SAMUEL BOUKNIGHT, *President.*

The constitutional term of the officers of Synod having expired, an election was held, which resulted in the choice of the following

OFFICERS OF SYNOD:

REV. E. B. HORT, President.

REV. J. HAWKINS..... Recording Secretary.

REV. DR. J. A. BROWN..... Corresponding Secretary.

MR. S. CORLEY..... Treasurer of Synod.

MR. J. F. SCHIRMER..... Treasurer of Seminary.

MAJ. J. P. KINARD..... Treasurer of Widow's Fund.

Letters and documents intended for Synod were now called for and handed in. Parochial reports were registered.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

MINISTERS REPORTING.	BAPTISMS.				MEMBERS RECEIVED.		Communi- cants.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			Benevolent Societies.		
	Congregations.	WHITE.		COLORED.					BURIALS.	NO. OF SCHOOLS.	NO. OF SCHOLARS.		NO. OF TEACHERS.	
		Adult.	Infant.	Adult.	Infant.									
						WHITE.	COLORED.	WHITE.						COLORED.
Rev. Dr. Bachman.....	1	3	49	11	78	21	42	365	195	12	1	150	25	5
“ J. H. Bailey.....	3	5	10	..	7	24	10	272	40	8	2	41	8	1
“ C. F. Bansemer*..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	110	..	..	1	40	6	..
“ L. Bedenbaugh....	3	1	4	..	..	13	..	130	16	..	..	..	..	..
“ S. W. Bedenbaugh..	2	6	8	2	..	9	2	77	21	3	2	30	4	..
“ W. Berly.....	3	1	13	14	2	22	14	322	33	1	2	102	10	2
“ C. H. Bernheim....	2	5	7	14	..	24	25	43	26	1	..	..	..	..
“ B. F. Berry.....	1	3	3	..	..	12	..	75	..	..	1	..	..	1
“ T. S. Boinest.....	2	..	15	..	..	3	3	169	45	1	1	18	4	1
“ S. Bouknight.....	2	..	16	6	..	3	10	184	74	1	2	48	9	2
“ W. S. Bowman.....	1	1	1	1	..	5	3	24	8	4	1	63	11	..
“ E. Caughman.....	4	11	17	6	2	46	6	371	11	4	2	80	14	2
“ E. Eimore.....	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	25	24	..	1	20	3	..
“ W. Epping*.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
“ G. Haliwanger, } ..	1	..	25	..	3	7	..	222	..	3	3	60	15	3
“ J. Austin, }	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
“ J. Hawkins.....	2	..	2	..	..	5	..	118	40	5	2	50	8	2
“ E. B. Hort*.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	28	..	..	1	25	5	2
“ W. A. Houck.....	2	2	12	..	2	17	..	182	108	6	2	40	8	..
“ A. J. Karn.....	1	..	20	..	..	6	..	122	..	1	1	20	19	4
“ J. Kleckley *.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
“ A. W. Lindler.....	1	..	13	..	4	13	3	109	14	3	1	20	4	1
“ J. B. Lowman.....	3	9	19	14	16	52	59	276	109	6	2	50	14	..
“ J. P. Margart.....	2	..	8	..	..	4	1	90	85	3	..	..	..	1
“ J. Moser.....	1	..	9	..	1	8	1	54	..	3	1	20	5	..
“ L. Muller.....	1	..	115	..	..	13	..	300	..	70	1	150	20	2
“ D. Shealey.....	1	..	11	2	4	1	..	40	..	3	2	38	8	..
“ T. Stork, D. D.....	1	..	..	..	..	20	..	50	..	..	1	..	..	1
“ J. H. W. Werts....	3	5	1	..	..	25	4	120	20	5	2	50	8	..
“ S. Bayley.....	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	20	1	..	1	20	2	..
“ P. Derrick.....	2	2	5	3	10	11	5	119	97	7	2	38	7	1
Total.....	49	58	353	73	129	392	189	3597	969	150	38	1293	218	31

* No report received.

Rev. E. Dufford was called upon for his excuse for non-attendance of last meeting of Synod. His excuse was sustained.

Resolved, That the Synodical Missionary Society be allowed to hold a meeting in the church on Saturday, at ten o'clock.

Synod now adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. L. Muller.

SECOND DAY.

FIRST SESSION, 9 o'clock.

Synod met, and was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. E. A. Bolles.

The roll was called and the brethren answered to their names.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed.

The President announced that Revs. T. Stork, D. D., J. A. Brown, D. D., and W. S. Bowman, had been elected by a unanimous vote of the Ministerium, members of this Synod.

Mr. J. T. Bowles, a student of the seminary being present, was invited to a seat as advisory member.

Mr. J. S. Long, delegate of Rev. W. Berly, appeared and took his seat.

Dr. J. A. Brown was elected Corresponding Secretary, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. L. Eichelberger, D. D.

The President announced the following committees :

1. *Unfinished Business*—Revs. N. Aldrich and J. H. Bailey.
2. *On President's Report*—Rev. G. Haltiwanger, W. A. Houck and Capt. J. H. Counts.
3. *On Letters and Petitions*—Revs. C. F. Bansemer and L. Bedenbaugh.
4. *On Excuses*—Revs. T. S. Boinest and E. Caughman.
5. *On State of Religion*—Revs. S. Bouknight and J. Austin.
6. *On Memoirs*—Revs. T. Stork, D. D. and J. A. Brown, D. D.
7. *On Synodical Fund*—Messrs. H. Cobia and William Assman.
8. *On Seminary Fund*—Maj. J. P. Kinard and J. G. Houseal, Esq.
9. *On Widows' Fund*—Messrs. J. F. Schirmer and P. E. Wise.

The Treasurer of Synod being absent, Messrs. J. F. Schirmer and W. W. Houseal were appointed to receive contributions for Synod.

An election to fill the vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors of Seminary, resulted in the reelection of the former members, with the exception of the Rev. J. J. Dreher, resigned, whose place was supplied by the election of Mr. Henry Gallman.

CLASSIFICATION OF BOARD ON DIRECTORS.

<i>Class of 1857.</i>	<i>Class of 1858.</i>	<i>Class of 1859.</i>
Rev. E. B. HORT.	Rev. N. ALDRICH.	Dr. J. BACHMAN.
Rev. T. S. BOINEST.	Rev. W. A. HOUCK.	Rev. S. BOUKNIGHT.
Mr. H. GALLMAN.	Mr. M. BARRE.	Mr. J. F. SCHIRMER.
Mr. S. CORLY.	Mr. W. K. BACHMAN.	Dr. G. MULLER.

The Board of Trustees of Newberry College were reelected.

TRUSTEES OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE.

Rev. Dr. BACHMAN.	G. MULLER, M. D.	Maj. H. SUMMER.
" E. B. HORT.	Mr. W. K. BACHMAN.	Mr. N. A. HUNTER.
" N. ALDRICH.	Mr. M. BARRE.	Hon. A. C. GARLINGTON.
" J. P. MARGART.	Hon. J. P. KINARD.	O. B. MAYER, M. D.
" T. S. BOINEST.	Mr. J. K. SCHUMPERT.	Col. S. FAIR.
" J. HAWKINS.	Mr. J. P. AULL.	Maj. L. J. JONES.

Rev. T. S. Boinest was elected Corresponding Delegate to Synod of North Carolina, and Rev. J. Austin his alternate.

The Delegate to Synod of North Carolina read the following :

REPORT NO. I.

Your Delegate to the Synod of North Carolina would submit the following report :

He had the pleasure of attending their meeting in May last, and was cordially received and hospitably entertained. He had much pleasure in witnessing the spirit of Christian zeal which characterizes that body, in its various missionary and educational enterprises. The missionary field in that State is large and inviting, and every possible effort is made for its cultivation. The ministers are active and zealous, and their charges are growing in strength, piety and liberality.

North Carolina College is gaining friends and permanence. It has at its head a man of talent and untiring perseverance. The Board of Trustees are from among their most talented and influential ministers and laymen, and the most distinguished statesmen and politicians of North Carolina.

Their Synod, at its last session, received an addition of four worthy and talented ministers.

The venerable President, in a few appropriate remarks, assured your delegate of the continued fraternal feelings existing in that body towards ours.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HAWKINS.

The Treasurer of Synod was ordered to pay the expenses of the delegate—\$9.50.

Synod now took a recess till three o'clock.

At 11 o'clock Rev. W. S. Bowman preached from 1st John, iii. 2: *"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that when he shall appear we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."*

AFTERNOON SESSION, 3 o'clock.

Opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Brown.

Rev. Mr. Bowman, of the Methodist E. Church, Mr. D. M. Blackwelder, late of the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, and Mr. J. J. Dreher, treasurer of our missionary society, were invited to seats as advisory members.

Messrs. W. K. Bachman, D. Kleckley and Adam Epting appeared, presented their certificates and were received as delegates to this Synod.

Rev. C. F. Bansemer offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That we hereby express our heartfelt gratification and Christian sympathy, called forth by Bro. Bansemer's statements in regard to the state and prospects of the Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Walhalla.

Resolved, That brethren who cultivate, in their intercourse with each other, the spirit of forbearance and harmony, while they regulate their walk and conversation according to the teachings of the Gospel, and the principles of our evangelical body, deserve our liberal assistance in every effort of theirs to promote their own edification and the general interests of the church; and that those who pursue a contrary course, must of necessity, forfeit our countenance and support.

Resolved, That, considering the arduousness of erecting houses of worship, as well as the many losses and consequent embarrassment of our brethren at Walhalla, we do hereby recommend their necessities to the favorable consideration of our respective congregations, and that Bro. Bansemer is invited by us, to bring to their notice the wants of his people.

Adopted.

Rev. Dr. Bachman presented a paper recommended by the Ministerium, as a substitute for the form of obligation to be subscribed by our Professor of Theology, at his installation. The substitute was unanimously adopted.

The obligation is as follows :

I solemnly declare, in the presence of God, and the Directors of this Seminary, that I, from my heart believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired word of God, and only infallible rule of faith and practice. I believe that the fundamental doctrines of the word of God are taught in a manner substantially correct in the doctrinal articles of the Augsburg Confession and in Luther's smaller Catechism. I cordially approve of the general principles of church government adopted by the Lutheran Church in this country, as consistent with the word of God. And I do solemnly promise not to teach anything which to me appears to contradict, or to be in any way inconsistent with the principles avowed in this declaration; but on the contrary, I promise, by the aid of God, to teach and vindicate the truth, as held in the Evangelical Lutheran Church, in opposition to the views of Atheists, Deists, Unitarians, Universalists, Romanists, and all other errorists, while I remain a professor in this Seminary.

Synod now adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Prayer by Rev. W. Berly.

At night Rev. L. Bedenbaugh preached from Eccl. ix. 10 :
"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

THIRD DAY.

FIRST SESSION, 9 o'clock.

Synod was opened with prayer, by Rev. L. C. Grossclose. The roll was called, and the Minutes of yesterday were confirmed.

Rev. J. P. Margart offered the following :

Resolved, That in making out their Parochial Reports, ministers be, and are hereby requested, to adhere strictly to the plan now in use among us.

The Secretary read, for the information of Synod, an extract of a private letter, received from Rev. J. C. Eherhart, of Middletown, Pa., having reference to the contemplated Sunday-School paper of the Lutheran Church.

Revs. S. Bouknight and L. Bedenbaugh were appointed a committee to report on the expediency of publishing such a paper in our church.

Rev. G. Haltiwanger presented the following, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 2.

In accordance with a request of the members of last Synod, I visited portions of Bros. L. Bedenbaugh's and Elmore's charges in the last of July. The time selected by these brethren was rather unfavorable, owing to the condition in which most of the farms were. The congregations in the week were not so large ; on Sabbaths we had crowded houses. These brethren, with their charges, felt somewhat discouraged, in consequence of their isolated condition from the body of the Lutheran Church. They need the sympathy, and, to some extent, the fostering care of this Synod. They have labored faithfully under many discouraging circumstances, for comparatively no remuneration ; and from their self-denying labors, with the success accompanying their efforts, they are justly entitled to the confidence of this body. I was glad to find that we had a name, and an honorable name, in their midst. Their membership will compare well in wealth, intelligence and piety with most of our congregations. These congregations possess all the elements for future growth and permanency. Another minister is needed for Campbell County. The interests there should not be neglected. He will need some aid from the Missionary Society.

As I was unable to visit the churches in Macon County, I got Bro. Austin to go in my place, who will render his own report. I told him his expenses would be paid, which was nine dollars, four of which was paid by the people whom he visited. The expenses incurred by myself was thirteen dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

G. HALTIWANGER.

Rev. C F. Bansemer offered the following :

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee appointed on Petitions beg leave respectfully to report :

That the document marked 1, is a letter signed by twenty-three members of our Church, in Columbia County, Florida, under the pastoral care of our missionary, Rev. C. H. Bernheim, who have organized themselves into a Lutheran congregation, and pray to be received into connection with our Synod.

The same desire is expressed in another communication, marked 2, addressed to this body, and signed by eighteen persons, who have formed a Lutheran Society under the care of Rev. C. H. Bernheim, near Long Swamp, Florida. Many of their names are familiar to us, and we are highly gratified to perceive that distance has not broken the ties of friendship, nor lessened the ardor of Christian fellowship.

As these brethren declare that they " have cordially embraced the Augsburg Confession as their creed and articles of faith," and adopted our form of church government and discipline, we feel it our duty to recommend that they be received into connection with our Synod.

And reciprocating their kind and brotherly feelings towards our body, we would

heartily express the wish, that under the guidance and protection of the Great Head of the Church, they may steadily grow in numbers, grace and knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. BANSEMER,

L. BEDENBAUGH.

The following Resolution was then offered by Rev. J. P. Margart :

Resolved. That the congregation in Columbia County, Florida, and the society at Long Swamp, Florida, both under the pastoral care of Rev. C. H. Bernheimer, be received into connection with this Synod.

Adopted.

Rev. W. Berly submitted the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That this body has heard with pleasure of the success of our missionary to Florida, and that we assure our brethren in that part of the Church, that they have our kindest feelings and warmest sympathies.

Rev. T. S. Boinest submitted the Report on Excuses, as follows :

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee to whom were referred the excuses of the absentees from the present meeting of Synod, beg leave to report that they find themselves entrusted with letters from Bros. Moser, Kleckley, Elmore, Haigler S. W. Bedenbaugh and Epping.

Bro. Moser assigns as his excuse personal and family afflictions, as also does Bro. Epping, and as these excuses came strictly within a standing resolution of Synod on this subject, we recommend that they be excused. Bro. Haigler's excuse is distance, and the pressing claims of his family, which seeming to come within the spirit of the resolution referred to, we recommend that he be excused.

In view of the great distance and increasing infirmity of our aged brother Kleckley, which has been assigned as his excuse, we recommend that he be excused.

Bros. S. W. Bedenbaugh and E. Elmore assign as their excuse for non-attendance, distance and expense. Though these reasons for absence do not come under the resolution of Synod, by which your committee think they should in general be governed, yet we are of opinion that the circumstances of the case warrant your committee in recommending that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. BOINEST,

E. CAUGHMAN.

Rev. L. Muller and his delegate, H. Seay and Brother D. Shealy, were excused from further attendance at Synod.

Synod was adjourned till Monday morning. Prayer by Rev. J. Austin.

At 2 o'clock, P.M., the Synod proceeded in a body to the college, where Rev. T. Stork, D.D., and Prof. R. Garlington, in the audience of an immense assembly, delivered their *Inaugural Addresses*, which were learned, classic, chaste and eloquent, abounding in profound thought, happy sentiment and sound logic.

In the evening, Rev. J. Austin preached at Tranquill (Methodist) Church, from John v. 6: "*Wilt thou be made whole?*"

RELIGIOUS SERVICES OF THE SABBATH.

At an early hour a large assembly met at the church, and at 10 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Brown preached from 1 Cor., xiii. 12: "*For now we see through a glass darkly.*"

Rev. Dr. Bachman consecrated the elements of the Holy Communion, and a large number of the followers of the Redeemer attested their love and attachment to their Lord, by coming around the altar, and eating and drinking in remembrance of Him. The communion services were closed by Rev. J. P. Margart.

After a short recess, Rev. L. C. Grossclose, of North Carolina, preached from Isaiah lvii. 15. In the evening Rev. Mr. Grossclose preached again from Isaiah lvii. 21.

Rev. A. W. Lindler preached at Tranquil, from St. Mark vii. 24, and Mr. D. M. Blackwelder preached at Luther Chapel. Thus closed the solemn services of the holy Sabbath day, we trust, to the glory of God, and the good of His children.

F I F T H D A Y .

9 o'clock.

Rev. L. Bedenbaugh opened the session with singing and prayer. The roll was called, and the Minutes confirmed.

Rev. J. H. W. Wertz and his delegate, and Rev. S. Bayley and his delegate, were excused from attendance on the future meetings of the present Synod.

Rev. Robert McLees, of the Presbyterian Church, being present, was invited to a seat as an advisory member. Rev. C. F. Bansemer offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod make some arrangement for the diffusion of more light on the doctrines and usages of the Lutheran Church, especially among the members of our Synod and the communities with which we hold a nearer relationship; and that this subject be immediately referred to a committee of three, so as to afford us an opportunity of trying the experiment at our next meeting.

The committee on the above resolution are Revs. C. F. Bansemer, J. P. Margart and G. Haltiwanger.

REPORT No. 5.

The committee appointed to devise some way of diffusing among the members of our Synod, and our Church generally, more accurate and extensive views of the characteristic doctrines and usages of our Church, beg leave to submit the following:

That they sincerely deplore the paucity, not to say the want, of popular treatises, setting forth the true character and excellencies of our beloved Zion; and that they regard the indifference and luke-warmness, the want of union, the discord and prejudice which exist here and there in the Lutheran Church, as resulting from the insufficiency of the existing sources of information; and though they hope this deficiency will be gradually supplied by the Publication Society of the General Synod, they can see no reason why we should neglect other means, and think lightly of the opportunities which the annual conventions of this body afford.

Adopting the suggestions of the above resolution, we recommend, 1st, That at our next Synodical Convention, a part of Monday be set apart for the discussion of some suitable subject relating to the creed and usages of our church. 2. That the theme selected for that occasion be, *The Doctrine of the Trinity*. 3. That all the members, and especially our Professors, be invited to take part in the exercise.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. BANSEMER.
G. HALTIWANGER.
J. P. MARGART.

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee to whom was referred the President's Report would submit the following:

There are several items in the report which claim the attention of this body, but as most of them will be reached in the regular order of business, we find but little for us to bring to the notice of Synod.

As intemperance is a great foe to human happiness, and a crying sin in the sight of Heaven, we would recommend all our ministers and churches to use such measures as they may deem most efficient to stay its onward march.

The other subjects of importance will be reached through the reports of our Boards, and the legitimate business of the Missionary Society, and by the committees, to whom special duties have been assigned.

Respectfully submitted,

G. HALTIWANGER.
W. A. HOUCK.
J. H. COUNTS.

REPORT No. 7.

The Committee appointed to report on the expediency of publishing a Lutheran Sunday-School paper, would most heartily recommend the enterprise to the patronage of all our people, believing that it cannot fail to meet the approbation of the whole church; and that it will contribute greatly to the spiritual welfare of our children, and in building them up in the doctrines and principles of our beloved church. We would, therefore, recommend that each minister of this Synod send up immediately, his number of subscribers for said paper.

Respectfully submitted,

L. BEDENBAUGH.
S. BOUKNIGHT.

Rev. A. J. Karn reported verbally on behalf of the Committee appointed at last meeting of Synod, to revise the Book of Discipline, and requested that the Committee be discharged.

Moved, That the Committee be discharged. Adopted.

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Seminary was read, taken up by items, and finally adopted.

REPORT No. 8.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DIRECTORS OF SEMINARY.

The Board of Directors of the Classical and Theological Seminary, beg leave respectfully to report :

Since the last meeting of Synod, our institution has been removed to Newberry, and its exercises commenced under such favorable circumstances (with the blessing of God), that while it is a subject of gratification for us, it is still more so of praise to Him.

Rev. J. A. Brown, D.D., Professor of Theology, entered upon his duties in February last. His installation is contemplated this day at 11 o'clock, and his inaugural address delivered agreeable to a provision of our constitution.

The Professor of Theology and the President of the College have entered into an arrangement by which a mutual interchange of labors between them takes place in some branches of study, which arrangement meets the hearty concurrence of this Board, and we trust will also meet the approval of Synod.

The Board have deemed it advisable to extend the vacation from the usual time to the first Monday in October, which will require a change in the constitution, and would recommend the same to your favorable consideration.

A Committee, appointed by this Board, to examine the property belonging to the Seminary, at Lexington, with a view to a sale or lease of the same, have recommended a sale, and, with your approbation, will appoint a committee to effect it.

The Professor of Theology has submitted a plan for increasing the library, which accompanies this report, and with your recommendation, may be more generally adopted, although to be effected by individual contribution.

The Board have deemed it advisable to appoint a delegate to accompany your delegate to the Synod of North Carolina, with a view respectfully to invite the co-operation of that Synod in the support of our Theological Seminary.

Your Board would recommend that a change be made in the constitution, so as to make the meetings of the Board correspond with those of the College Board.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. HORT, Secretary.

Resolved, That the Resolution of the Board of Directors, referred to in the above report, extending the vacation in the Theological Seminary, meets with the concurrence of this Synod.

Resolved, That the constitution of the Classical and Theological Seminary be so altered as to make the meetings of the Board of Directors to correspond with those of the College. Adopted.

Synod now took a recess to attend the installation of Rev. Dr. Brown, as Professor of Theology in our Seminary.

Benediction by the President.

INSTALLATION OF DR. BROWN.

At 11 o'clock, Dr. Bachman introduced the Professor of Theology, in an appropriate speech to the members of Synod. Rev. T. S. Boinest, Secretary of the Board, presented the form of obliga-

tion, which Dr. Brown read aloud, and subscribed. He then proceeded to deliver a very able inaugural address, which he did in his easy and graceful style of speaking. The address was listened to with profound attention and no small degree of pleasure.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1 o'clock.

Dr. Brown proposed a plan for the increasing of our Theological Library.

Rev. T. S. Boinest offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That this Synod warmly recommends to the ladies of our church the plan proposed by our Professor of Theology, for the increase of the library, and trust that it will be speedily accomplished.

Mr. S. Corly reported congregational contributions :

REPORT No. 9.

COLLECTIONS FOR SYNODICAL FUND.

Rev. J. Bachman's charge—	
St. John's Church, Charleston	\$82 00
Female Lutheran Society	100 00—\$182 00
Rev. T. S. Boinest's charge—	
Bethlehem	18 90
St. Matthew's....	14 50— 33 40
Rev. Wm. Berly's charge—	
St. Luke's.....	10 40
St. Andrew's	7 21
St. Stephen's.....	10 00— 27 61
Rev. J. H. Bailey's charge—	
Macedonia	8 00
Colony	8 00
St. Michael's	11 16— 27 16
Rev. L. Bedenbaugh's charge—	
Mt. Pilgrim	8 70
New Hope	2 00
Campbell County Society.....	1 40— 12 10
Rev. S. W. Bedenbaugh's charge	3 00
Rev. E. Elmore's charge	3 00
Rev. S. Bouknight's charge—	
St. Mark's	5 74
Mt. Zion.....	3 75— 9 49
Rev. B. F. Berry's charge.....	7 50
Rev. E. Caughman's charge—	
Nazareth	5 78
Salem	2 31
Good Hope.....	5 00
Mt. Calvary	1 00— 14 09
Rev. P. Derrick's charge—	
St. Matthew's and Mt. Lebanon.....	21 25

Rev. G. Haltiwanger and Austin's charge—		
Ebenezer, Ga.	35	67
Rev. Wm. A. Houck's charge—		
Trinity.....	11	00
Pine Grove.....	15	13— 26 13
Rev. E. B. Hort's charge—		
Ebenezer, Columbia	6	25
Rev. A. J. Karn's charge—		
Savannah	16	00
Rev. A. W. Lindler's charge—		
St. John's, Calk's Road.....	6	00
Rev. J. B. Lowman's charge—		
Bethel	5	00
St. Peter's	3	72
St. David's	2	00— 10 72
Rev. J. P. Margart's charge—		
Sandy Run.....	25	00
Orange Chapel	7	00— 32 00
Rev. L. Muller's charge—		
St. Matthew's, Charleston	25	00
Rev. T. Stork's charge—		
Luther Chapel.....	8	00
Rev. W. S. Bowman's charge—		
Zion's Charleston.....	10	00
Rev. J. H. W. Wertze's charge—		
Trinity.....	3	60
Corinth	3	00
Union	2	30— 8 90
Rev. J. Hawkin's charge—		
Liberty Hill	14	75
Beth-Eden	42	55— 57 30
Rev. J. Moser's charge—		
Mt. Zion	10	00
Rev. S. Bailey's charge—		
St. Nicholas.....	1	00
Rev. A. W. Lindler's charge—		
St. John's, Lexington	9	50
Rev. C. H. Bernheim's charge—		
Columbia County Church, Fla.....	4	15
Long Swamp.....	7	85— 12 00
		\$615 07

Mr. H. Cobia reported on Synodical Fund.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's account, report that they have carefully done so, and find the proper vouchers for the payment, all correct, showing a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$654.82; bonds and notes to the amount of \$1,827.28; making together the sum of \$2,512.10, balance on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

H. COBIA.
WM. ASSMAN.

S. CORLEY, Treasurer, in Account with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, and adjacent States.

1858.		DR.		1858.		CR.	
Oct. 30	By interest on Rev. D. J. Dreher's note to Dec. 5, '58		\$14 00	Nov. 1	By balance		\$31 39
Nov. 1	" cash received as Congregational contribution*		613 86	Dec. 14	" Treasurer's expenses to Synod.....		5 00
" 1	" amount in bonds and notes		1,827 28	" 15	Paid J. N. Derrick, Beneficiary.....		33 33
" 24	" interest on Jno. Kleckley's note to 26th ult.....		14 00	" 15	" J. T. Bowles, "		25 00
Dec. 4	" " Martin Kyser's note to 13th inst.....		3 50	" 15	" J. D. Bowles, "		25 00
" 4	" cash for Constitutions sold.....		40	" 20	" B. Kreps, "		25 00
1859.				" 20	" P. Derrick, "		33 33
Feb. 21	" interest on Elijah Wingard's note to May 9, '59		4 20	" 22	" J. F. Schirmer, for printing Minutes.....		101 75
March 27	" " J. D. Roof's note to 1st inst.....		14 00	" 22	" Premium on draft.....		25 00
" 29	" " H. Summer's note to Dec. 15, '58 ..		15 97	" 15	" B. Kreps, Beneficiary.....		25 00
April 4	" " Thos. Wingard's note to date.....		1 12	" 15	" "		25 00
Oct. 25	" " Wilkin Gunter's note to 27th inst.....		14 00	" 15	" J. A. Sligh, "		25 00
" 25	" cash from Macedonia Church, Rev. J. H. Bailey's charge, as Congregational contribution for 1858		5 00	" 1	" J. T. Bowles, "		50 00
				" 1	" J. D. Bowles, "		25 00
				" 1	" J. A. Sligh, "		50 00
				" 1	" J. S. Hungerpeler, Beneficiary		25 00
				" 1	" Premium on draft.....		25 00
				Sept. 30	" J. D. Bowles, Beneficiary		50 00
				" 30	" John McCullough "		50 00
				Oct. 15	" B. Kreps "		25 00
" 31	" cash received from the different churches, at Synod, held at Beth-Eden Church, Newberry District, S. C.		615 07	" 31	" Amount in bonds and notes.....		\$630 30
							1,827 28
					Balance		\$2,457 58
							684 82
							\$3,142 40

* Twenty-six dollars and eighteen cents of this amount was contributed by the congregation of Pine Grove Church, Rev. W. A. Houck's charge, and by a mistake of the printer, does not appear on the published list of contributions for the year 1858.

Mr. J. F. Schirmer offered the following :

The Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the following Report, and found it correct ;

REPORT No. 11.

The Committee further report that the Treasurer has not been able to collect any interest on the bonds and notes in his possession, and has therefore been compelled to advance money for the payment. On some of the bonds no interest has been paid since the amount has been loaned—some of them exceeding three years. At the last meeting a resolution was adopted, requiring the Treasurer to demand ten per cent. of the principal, and nothing has been paid. Your Committee deem it essential that some steps should be taken to collect these amounts ; your Committee would, therefore, recommend, that the Treasurer be instructed to notify all those parties whose bonds and notes we hold, also their sureties, that if ten per cent. of the principal, together with all interest due, be not paid within six months, that he immediately place the same in suit after the expiration of that period.

Your Committee further report, that applications have been made by Mrs. Cloy, Mrs. Leppard and Mrs. Ring, for continued aid, they therefore recommend that the same aid be granted to them for the ensuing year.

JACOB F. SCHIRMER.
P. E. WISE.

JOHN P. KINARD IN ACCOUNT WITH SYNODICAL WIDOW'S FUND.

Dr.

1859.	Oct. 28.	Received, per Rev. J. H. Bailey, on account of interest....	\$15
		Balance due Treasurer.....	85
			\$100

		Bonds and notes in Treasurer's hands	\$2,520 30
			Cr.

1859.	Feb. 7.	Paid Mrs. F. C. Ring.....	\$50
	May.	“ Mrs. Leppard.....	50
			\$100

		Oct. 30.	Balance due Treasurer	\$85
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Not being able to ascertain Mrs. Cloy's address, I was not able to pay her, but the amount has been sent her this session.

JOHN P. KINARD, Treasurer.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report at next meeting of Synod, whether any plan or arrangement could be made with the Society for the Relief of Disabled Ministers, &c., so as to vest the funds they have, together with the funds in the hands of Synod, into one general fund, that its benefits may become more permanent and useful.

Messrs. J. F. Schirmer, W. K. Bachman and F. C. Blum were appointed on the Committee.

Mr. J. F. Schirmer also reported, that in accordance with a resolution of last Synod, he had received several amounts to aid in paying the expenses of our delegates to the last General Synod, which he had accordingly appropriated.

Major J. P. Kinard reported on Seminary Fund :

The Committee appointed to examine the account of the Treasurer of Seminary Fund report :

That the duty has been discharged, and they have found the account correct.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. KINARD,
J. G. HOUSEAL.

Rev. B. F. Berry was excused for non-attendance at the present meeting of Synod.

Dr. Bachman

Moved, That the Widow's Fund Society be allowed to meet to-morrow, immediately after service.

Moved, That the Missionary Society be permitted to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

Rev. W. Berly offered the following :

Resolved, That we learn with increased pleasure that the Rev. E. A. Bolles, a member of this Synod, is still retained by the American Bible Society, as their agent for South Carolina.

Resolved, That we cheerfully recommend Brother Bolles to the confidence of our own and all other churches, and private persons, to whom he may, in his official capacity, appeal.

REPORT NO. 13.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina and adjacent States :

The undersigned, the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Newberry, College, would respectfully submit the following report :

That the Primary and Preparatory Departments of the College went into operation on the first Monday of October, 1858, with about the number of forty pupils, under the charge of Rev. M. Whittle, a graduate of Roanoke College with a salary of eight hundred dollars per year.

The Board having been informed that Rev. F. R. Auspach, D. D., who had been elected the President of the College, could not, from the situation of his family, accept that responsible position, an extra meeting of the Board of Trustees was called by Dr. Bachman, the President, to meet in Columbia, in the month of December, 1858. At that extra meeting, the Rev. Theophilus Stork D. D., of Philadelphia, was chosen the President of the College. He was duly informed of his election, and accepted the position.

During all this time your Secretary was ill, and did not attend either to the College in any way, or was not present at the extra meeting of the Board above referred to.

Your Secretary was able to attend the regular semi-annual meeting of the Board, held at Newberry on the Tuesday after the second Monday in January last. At this meeting the Board resolved to elect a Professor of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. Mr. Robert Garlington, a graduate of the South Carolina College, with the highest distinction of his class, was chosen professor of this branch of instruction. The Board then resolved that in February the College should commence, and notice to that effect was published. Up to this period there was no studies in the college proper. Professor Garlington's salary was fixed, for the present, at one thousand dollars per annum.

Previous to this time, the number of pupils had so increased that Mr. Whittle could not attend to them all, and Mr. Sligh was employed for a short time as teacher of the smaller boys, who were not far advanced. After a short time, Mr. Boozer, another student, took charge of the department which had been under the care of Mr. Sligh, and continued until in March. About this time, the Committee on the Faculty procured the services of Mr. Hard, a graduate of the Charleston College, at a salary of four or five hundred dollars.

About the 22d of February, Dr. Stork and Rev. J. A. Brown, Professor of Theology, reached Newberry. The Professor of Theology was expected to share, for a time, in the duties of the College, in the instruction of classes in Latin and Greek Literature. The professors who had been elected being now all on the ground, and with an alacrity seldom equalled and never excelled, they arranged the studies, so far as they could do such a work, and assigned to each one his appropriate department.

Mr. Hard, who had been elected tutor in the Primary Department, came on about the latter part of March, or the first of April, and took charge of his department. So far as the undersigned had the opportunity of observing the conduct and attention of all the professors and teachers, he thinks their conduct deserves the gratitude not only of the Board of Trustees, but of the patrons of the College.

The Board of Trustees of the College was assembled, by the call of the President, on the last Thursday in June last, which was about one month earlier than the time which had been fixed for the regular semi-annual meeting of the Board, and by a resolution passed, this was to be regarded as the regular annual meeting. By the resolutions of the Board of Trustees, the College Session begins on the first Monday in October, and ends on the last Friday of June in each year; and the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the College, is to be held on the Wednesday before the last Friday of June of each year.

The incidental expenses of each student are fixed at four dollars for the collegiate year.

At this last meeting of the Board, the Rev. Charles Stork was elected Professor of Greek Literature, at a salary of _____ dollars; and the Rev. M. Whittle was made adjunct Professor of the Latin Language.

Wm. K. Bachman was elected the Treasurer of the Board. Rev. N. Aldrich is the financial agent of the Board, with a salary of six hundred dollars, and ten per cent. on all the scholarships he sells.

Several members of the Board pledged themselves to raise the sum of thirteen thousand dollars, the amount which was lacking of the sum of fifty thousand dollars, the minimum sum of the endowment of the College.

The Secretary has heard that the Building Committee have had a settlement with the contractors of the College building.

The College exhibition, at the termination of the first year, reflected great credit on those students who delivered select addresses, who read original essays, and who delivered written speeches of their own composition. The speeches of the young men were such as did honor to themselves and the College. They all exhibited considerable ability in this their first public effort before the public. The year ended with about the number of one hundred and fifteen students in all the departments of the College.

Mr. Hard declined serving as tutor in the College, at this meeting of the Board. The Board, pursuant to the adjournment, had a special meeting on the 7th September last, and Mr. Gustavus P. Pifer was elected at a salary of five hundred dollars, as the tutor in the Primary Department. He came on and entered upon the discharge of his duties at the opening of the College.

The College opened under very favorable auspices on the first Monday in October, 1859. The exact number of students in the College and Preparatory and Primary Departments is not within the knowledge of the undersigned. Students have been coming in almost every day, and the number connected with the institution up to the very latest period to which this report extends, is about one hundred and thirty-five pupils. This shows that your body, and the Board of Trus-

tees of the College, have undertaken a great work—a work which, if they are faithful in the discharge of the duties, will redound to the good not only of the community in which the institution is situated, but its influence will be felt afar. Your body, individually and collectively, should feel that this institution is to exert a power throughout the whole South. It may be regarded as the child of your prayers. The earnest and untiring zeal of the good and the wise, and the aged ministers of your Synod is enlisted in this noble enterprize; and will not the young and the ardent be stimulated to redoubled exertions, not only to place Newberry College upon a permanent footing, but to make it one of the luminaries of the South? Nurture this tender plant, guard it as the apple of your eye, and you shall see the work prosper in your hands.

Some matters of minor importance may have been omitted, but it has been the object to give such information to your body as would show the condition and prospects of the College.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SUMMER.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

Newberry, S. C., October 2, 1859.

Dr. G. Muller offered the following, which was adopted :

Whereas, It is absolutely necessary to increase the fund of our College at Newberry, with a view to its permanent endowment; and, whereas, it is also requisite to endow more permanently our Theological Seminary, also located at Newberry; and, whereas, at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the College, it was resolved, that every minister within the bounds of this Synod be authorized to sell Scholarships and procure donations for the College; therefore,

Resolved, That each and every minister of this Synod do hereby promise and pledge himself to use his utmost endeavors to sell Scholarships and procure donations for the College; and also to obtain donations for our Theological Seminary so that these, our beloved institutions, may continue to prosper, and become, at no distant day, the pride and glory of our Southern church.

Resolved, That we all feel a deep interest in our institutions, and that we will not relax our efforts in their behalf until they are permanently endowed.

A call was made for pledges of Scholarships, and donations, and \$4,400 were subscribed.

Rev. L. Bedenbaugh, Messrs. J. E. Bowers, H. Cobia and S. Corly, were excused from further attendance at Synod.

Synod now went into an election for the next place of meeting, and Luther Chapel, in the town of Newberry, was chosen. The time was fixed on the 25th October, 1860.

Rev. N. Aldrich reported on unfinished business. His report was received and laid on the table for future action.

Synod adjourned, with prayer by Rev. C. F. Bansemer.

At night, Rev. E. Caughman preached at Tranquil Church.

SIXTH DAY.

10 o'clock.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. E. A. Bolles.

Minutes of yesterday confirmed.

Father M. Rauch was excused for non-attendance at the present meeting of the Synod.

Rev. A. J. Karn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee, consisting of Drs. Stork and Brown, and Revs. Bojnast and Hawkins, be appointed to arrange the preliminaries for the publication of a Lutheran Church paper, which shall advocate the claims of our institutions at Newberry and our southern church, and report at next Synod.

Capt. J. H. Counts read a memorial from the Newberry Conference, which was received.

Rev. W. Berly offered the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Resolved, That this Synod recommend to each congregation in our connexion, the election of a delegate to meet in convention, at such time and place as may be appointed, for the purpose of forming the various congregations into pastoral districts.

Resolved, That if the convention meet, the chairman report the result of the meeting to this Synod at its next meeting.

The Synod proceeded to appoint the time of the Convention and places of meeting. St. Mark's Church was chosen, and the Wednesday preceding the second Sunday in February, 1860, the time of meeting.

REPORT No. 14.

The committee appointed on the state of religion, would submit the following : That, from the statements of the brethren reporting, we are gratified to learn that revivals of religion have been enjoyed in many of our churches, while others seem to be in a growing condition! Revs. Caughman, Lowman, Margart, L. Bedenbaugh, Bouknight, Haltiwanger, and Austin, especially, have witnessed the out-pourings of the Holy Spirit upon their labors, and sinners have been awakened, and mourners converted to God. Your committee regret that so few of the brethren hand in reports on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

S. BOUKNIGHT,
J. AUSTIN.

Dr. Stork offered this resolution :

As it is desirable that Newberry College should be placed upon a basis of permanent and efficient usefulness, and believing that to this end, it is indispensable that the institution should be furnished with a complete philosophical and chemical apparatus and astronomical instruments, therefore

Resolved, That the Synod adopt some method for supplying this necessity, either by an appropriation from the Synodical Fund, or by special collections in the churches for the purpose.

Rev. C. H. Bernheim's resolution :

Resolved, That the President of the Synod tender the thanks of this body to the members of this congregation, and the citizens generally, for the hospitable entertainment we have received from them during our stay in their midst.

The following was read by Rev. A. J. Karn :

Resolved, That the following branch committee be appointed on the Book of Discipline: Revs. Dr. Stork and Hawkins, on the Liturgy; Revs. Dr. Brown and Boinest, on Constitution; Revs. Dr. Bachman and Bowman, on Augsburg Confession. To report at next meeting.

Synod ordered Mr. J. F. Schirmer to pay over to the Treasurer of College certain funds he held in reserve for the students of the Seminary, for the purpose of purchasing a philosophical apparatus.

Dr. Brown offered the following :

Resolved, That the last Thursday in February, a day very generally observed by the churches as a day for prayer for colleges and literary institutions, be recommended to be observed by all the churches in this Synod, that God may pour out his Holy Spirit on our own beloved institutions.

Rev. J. P. Margart read these resolutions :

Resolved, That the secretary have 2500 copies of our minutes printed, and distribute them in proportion to the communicants in each congregation.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Missionary Society and the Society for the Relief of Disabled Ministers, &c., be appended to the Minutes of the Synod.

Rev. N. Aldrich reported :

REPORT No. 15.

Three of your delegates to the General Synod attended its meeting, at Pittsburg, in May last. The attendance at Synod was unusually large, and much harmony pervaded its deliberations. Your delegates cannot refrain from expressing their appreciation of the uniform kindness they received from the brethren and citizens generally. Much important business was transacted. Among the most prominent was that which pertained to our theological seminaries, colleges and missionary societies. Our various institutions appear to be in a healthy and vigorous state, and the day is not far distant when every section of our church will be supplied with intelligent and efficient ministers. Our missionary societies engaged a large share of the attention of the Synod, and measures were adopted for the extension of our field of labors.

Rev. Mr. Passavant invited the members of the Synod to visit the institutions under his care, and your delegates availed themselves of the opportunity of informing themselves of the manner in which they are conducted.

Too much praise cannot be awarded to Bro. Passavant for his zeal and faithfulness to these institutions.

Respectfully submitted,

N. ALDRICH,
A. J. KARN,
E. A. BOLLES.

Synod now took a recess till 1 o'clock.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

No. 16.

As the Corresponding Secretary was elected after the organization of Synod, and copies of the minutes of only a few Synods have come into his hands, he can make but a general report, gathering his statistics chiefly from other sources. The mention of a few Synods, and the omission of others, would be very unsatisfactory, and hence, their names will be omitted altogether. This is of the less consequence, as they can readily be obtained, with other important information, from the minutes of the General Synod, or from the Lutheran Almanac for the year 1860.

I.—SYNODS CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL SYNOD.

The General Synod now embraces twenty-six District Synods, with an aggregate of about 800 ministers, 1600 congregations, and 160,000 communicants. The annual additions are large, and steadily increasing; and there is a manifest improvement in the benevolent contributions of the churches.

II.—SYNODS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL SYNOD.

Of these we find ten, with an aggregate of about 350 ministers, 600 congregations, and 100,000 communicants.

III.—LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS.

Amongst the most hopeful signs of the times for our church, is the increasing interest in the cause of education. We have now in operation, some eight colleges, with an equal number of theological seminaries. Besides these, there are about a dozen female seminaries, and as many academies for boys. All these are actively engaged in the work of training the youth of the church, and their value is beyond all estimate.

IV.—PERIODICALS.

Besides a Publication Society, which promises great good to the church, there are published a Quarterly Review, several monthlies, and more than a dozen religious papers, reaching the people through at least three languages.

A review of the present condition and future prospects of our beloved church furnishes abundant cause for every friend to thank God and take courage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. BROWN,
Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. Dr. Brown offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Synod earnestly recommend to the Board of Trustees of Newberry College, the endowment of an Agricultural Professorship in that institution, and that the Synod appoint a committee of ten for this purpose.

The following committee was appointed :

Maj. J. P. Kinard, Chairman ; Maj. J. A. Eichelberger, Dr. G. Muller, J. C. Hope, J. H. Counts, Gen. H. H. Kinard, H. Gallman, J. Bradwell, Sr., Dr. J. N. Herndon, Col. A. G. Summer.

Resolved, That this Synod recommend the Board of Trustees to secure the services of Mr. W. W. Houseal as Financial Agent of the College.

The report on unfinished business was adopted.

REPORT No. 17.

The committee on minutes of last meeting report the following items of business requiring the action of the Synod:

On page 15, is a resolution making it the duty of the clergy in our connexion to hold special services for the colored population, and give them oral catechetical instruction. Your committee ask if this duty has been performed.

Respectfully submitted,

N. ALDRICH,
W. BERLY.

In reply to the above the roll was called, and each pastor gave a brief statement of what he had done. It was gratifying to learn that nearly all had given the subject proper attention, and that our colored brethren had every necessary attention and instruction.

Bro. A. J. Karn offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed, to report at next meeting of the Synod, the views of this body on the marriage relation existing between slaves.

Committee: Rev. A. J. Karn, Dr. Bachman, and W. K. Bachman.

Rev. Levi C. Grossclose made some happy remarks on his sojourn with us, the pleasure experienced in witnessing our proceedings, the prospects of the Synod of North Carolina, and their continued love and attachment to us as a sister Synod, of the same name and faith.

The President assured the delegate from North Carolina of the deep interest felt by our Synod in all their enterprises, and of our love and sympathy for them.

Moved, That this Synod do now adjourn, to meet at Luther Chapel, on the 25th day of October, 1860.

Prayer by the President.

JACOB HAWKINS,

Secretary of Synod of So. Carolina and adj. States.

MINUTES OF THE MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

October 27th, 1859.

The Ministerium was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Bachman.

Rev. T. Stork. D.D., Rev. J. A. Brown, D.D., and Rev. W. S. Bowman, having tendered their letters of honorable dismission from the Synods with which they were heretofore connected, were unanimously received as members of this body.

These brethren, being present, were then invited into the house, and informed by the President of their reception.

The Ministerium then adjourned, to meet again at the call of the President.

Prayer by Rev. G. Haltiwanger.

SECOND SESSION.

October 28th.

The Ministerium met and was opened with prayer by Rev. W. A. Houck. The Minutes of last session were read and confirmed.

The Chairman announced the following Committees on Sermons and Journals :

Nos. 1 and 2—Revs. C. F. Bansemer and L. Muller.

Nos. 3 and 4—Revs. W. Berley and W. A. Houck.

The following resolution, in reference to Bro. B. Kreps, a theological student, under the care of the Synod, was read and adopted :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by this Ministerium, to examine Bro. Kreps, with a view to his admission into the ministry, and, if they judge expedient, that they notify the President, and request him to grant the brother an *ad interim* license to officiate as a minister until the next meeting of the Synod.

Committee: Revs. E. B. Hort, W. Berly and J. P. Margart.

Dr. Bachman presented a substitute for the Form of Obligation, to be subscribed by our Professor of Theology, which was adopted. The Ministerium adjourned, to meet at the call of the President. Prayer by Rev. T. S. Boinest.

THIRD SESSION.

October 31st.

The Ministerium was opened with prayer, by Rev. H. Stoudenmire.

The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

Rev. C. F. Bansemer reported :

The Committee to whom the Sermon and Journal of Bro. Whittle were referred for examination, beg leave to say :

That it affords them unfeigned pleasure to report favorably on the Journal, Abstracts of Discourses and Sermons of Bro. Whittle.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. BANSEMER,
L. MULLER.

Resolved, That Rev. S. Bayley be licensed to preach the Gospel and administer the sacraments for *one year*.

Rev. W. Berly reported :

The Committee appointed to examine the Sermons and Journals of Bros. Paul and J. N. Derrick, submit the following :

The Journal of Bro. P. Derrick is neatly and accurately kept, giving a detailed account of his entire ministerial and pastoral labors during the past Synodical year. His Sermon is well written, and evangelical in its sentiments.

The Journal of Bro. J. N. Derrick is brief, but regularly kept. His Sermon exhibits a spirit of fervent piety, and in consideration of the circumstances under which this brother has been placed, and the disadvantages under which he has labored, he has accomplished all that your committee could have expected. We therefore commend these young brethren to the favorable notice of this Ministerium.

Respectfully submitted,

W. BERLY,
W. A. HOUCK.

Resolved, That Revs. Dr. Bachman, L. Muller, A. J. Karn, and G. Haltiwanger, be a committee to take into consideration the communication from Augusta, Ga., and that they have full power to look after the interests of our church in that city.

Moved, That this Ministerium do now adjourn.

Prayer by the President.

JACOB HAWKINS,

Secretary of the Ministerium.

MINUTES

OF THE

SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

FIRST SESSION.

OCTOBER 29th, 1859.

At the call of the President the Society met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. C. H. Bernheim.

Able and interesting addresses were then delivered by Revs. Dr. Bachman and W. S. Bowman.

Maj. J. P. Kinard and Mr. J. E. Bowers, were requested to lift a general collection among those who did not wish to become annual members.

Rev. S. Bouknight offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to collect and insert in the minutes a list of all the life-members of this Society.

LIFE - MEMBERS.

Rev. J. H. BAILEY,	Dr. G. MULLER,
“ E. ELMORE,	Mr. F. C. BLUM,
“ E. CAUGHMAN,	“ M. BARRE,
“ R. J. Hungerpeler, (dec'd.)	“ S. CORLEY,
“ J. P. MARGART,	“ J. B. COUNTS,
“ G. HALTIWANGER,	Rev. G. D. BERNHEIM,
Mr. P. SLIGH,	“ J. BACHMAN, D. D.,
Mr. J. F. SCHIRMER,	“ L. EICHELBERGER, D. D.,
Dr. P. TODD,	(deceased.)
Mr. J. T. THOMAS,	“ L. MULLER,
Miss M. A. HOUSEAL,	Mr. J. WINGARD, (deceased,)
Rev. T. S. BOINEST,	“ H. GALLMAN,
“ S. BOUKNIGHT,	“ J. H. KALB,
“ C. F. BASEMER,	Mrs. M. A. CORLEY,
“ A. J. KARN,	Dr. J. A. BERLY,
“ P. KISTLER,	Mr. J. J. DREHER.

(The above are taken from the Minutes of 1855.)

Rev. J. KLECKLY, 1856.
Mr. R. G. CHISOLM, “

Major TILMAN WATSON and lady,
1856.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Rev. J. P. Margart.....	\$1 00	Mrs. J. K. Schumpert.....	\$1 00
Rev. C. H. Bernheim.....	1 00	Mrs. Ann E. Muller.....	5 00
Rev. E. A. Bolles.....	1 00	Mrs. Mary Baker.....	5 00
Rev. Saml. Bayley.....	1 00	Dr. G. Muller.....	1 00
Rev. E. Vaughman.....	1 00	Mr. Jacob S. Long.....	1 00
Rev. J. B. Lowman, (F. M. 5,).....	6 00	Mr. Patrick E. Wise.....	1 00
Rev. T. S. Boineest.....	5 00	Mrs. M. V. Bowman.....	1 00
Mrs. A. E. Boineest.....	5 00	Major J. A. Eichelberger.....	1 00
Mr. H. Stender.....	5 00	Rev. J. Hawkins.....	1 00
Rev. E. B. Hort.....	1 00	Mrs. Mary L. Hawkins.....	1 00
Rev. G. Haltiwanger.....	1 00	Rev. Dr. Bachman.....	5 00
Rev. J. N. Derrick.....	1 00	Mr. H. Gallman.....	2 50
Capt. J. H. Counts.....	1 00	Mrs. H. Gallman.....	2 50
Dr. J. A. Brown.....	5 00	Rev. W. A. Houck... ..	1 00
Mrs. Aaron Gates.....	1 00	Rev. J. H. Werts.....	1 00
Rev. P. Derrick.....	1 00	Mrs. J. H. Werts.....	1 00
Mr. J. E. Bowers.....	1 00	Miss C. E. Werts.....	1 00
Rev. J. Austin.....	1 00	Mrs. E. Rikard.....	1 00
Mr. N. Zetler.....	1 00	Rev. S. Bouknight.....	1 00
Mr. H. W. Rikard.....	1 00	Mr. S. Corley.....	1 00
Mrs. Mary Rikard.....	1 00	Rev. M. Whittle.....	1 00
Rev. W. S. Bowman.....	1 00	Mr. G. V. Antwerp.....	5 00
Mrs. A. C. Margart.....	1 00	Rev. W. Berly.....	1 00
Mrs. C. H. Bernheim.....	1 00	Mrs. E. C. Berly.....	1 00
Mr. S. J. Piester.....	1 00	W. Q. M. Berly.....	1 00
Mr. W. W. Houscal.....	1 00	Mr. J. F. Schirmer.....	5 00
Mr. J. E. Corley.....	1 00	Rev. H. Stoudenmire.....	2 00
Mr. J. Black.....	1 00	Rev. D. Shealy.....	1 00
Mr. John Hiller.....	1 00	Rev. L. Bedenbaugh.....	1 00
Mr. W. Assman.....	1 00	Rev. G. R. Haigler.....	1 00
Mr. J. G. Houscal.....	1 00	Mrs. G. R. Haigler.....	1 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Houscal.....	1 00	Rev. A. W. Lindler.....	1 00
Mr. Geo. A. Riser.....	1 00	Miss Mary Houscal.....	1 00
Mr. H. Seay.....	1 00	Rev. E. Dufford.....	1 00
Mrs. M. Vaughman.....	1 00	Mr. J. Hilary Sligh.....	1 00
Mr. T. F. Hunter.....	1 00	Mr. J. J. Dreher.....	1 00
Mr. J. P. Aull.....	1 00		
Mr. J. D. Keller.....	3 00		
Mrs. R. H. Bernhard.....	10 00	Total.....	\$131 00

Received also at present meeting, the following life-members :

Gen. H. H. Kinard, 1st inst.....	\$10	Rev. J. Hawkins, by Beth-Eden	
W. K. Bachman.....	10	Church.....	\$20
Henry Cobia.....	10	Major J. A. Eichelberger.....	20
Major J. P. Kinard.....	10		
Rev. E. B. Hort.....	10	Total.....	\$90

CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTIONS.

Rev. W. A. Houck's charge—

Pine Grove.....	\$55 00
Trinity.....	50 25—105 25

Rev. J. Hawkins' charge—	
Liberty Hill.....	4 75
Beth-Aden.....	11 30— 16 05
Revs. G. Haltiwanger and J. Austin's charge—	
Ebenezer.....	31 65
A Friend.....	5 00— 36 65
Rev. Dr. Bachman's charge—	
Charleston, from Female Sunday School Society.....	100 00
“ “ Sunday School Missionary Society....	120 00
“ “ Colored Members.....	10 00—230 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey's charge—	
St. Michael's.....	10 00
“ (F. M.).....	1 00— 11 00
Rev. B. F. Berry's charge—	
Mount Pleasant.....	7 50
Rev. T. S. Boinest's charge—	
Bethlehem.....	28 75
St. Matthews.....	16 00— 44 75
Rev. S. Bouknight's charge—	
St. Marks.....	18 77
“ (F. M.).....	3 37
Mount Zion.....	3 00— 25 14
Rev. W. S. Bowman's charge—	
Zion's, (Charleston).....	32 86
Rev. P. Derrick's charge—	
St. Matthews and Lebanon.....	42 00
Rev. E. B. Hort's charge—	
Church in Columbia	26 00
Rev. J. P. Margart's charge—	
Sandy Run.....	19 50
Rev. J. Moser's charge—	
Mount Zion.....	11 35
Rev. A. W. Lindler's charge—	
St. John's.....	5 00
Rev. L. Muller's charge—	
Charleston, (half F. M.).....	34 87
Rev. Dr. Stork's charge—	
Luther Chapel.....	8 00
Rev. W. Berly's charge—	
St. Luke's.....	10 50
St. Andrew's.....	7 50— 18 00
Rev. E. Vaughman's charge—	
Salem, (F. M.).....	1 25
“	75 00
Good Hope.....	1 00
“ (F. M.).....	2 50
Nazareth.....	00 60
“ (F. M.).....	2 55
Mount Calvary, (F. M.).....	1 15— 10 80

Rev. J. H. Wertz's charge—		
Trinity	3	25
Union	2	00
Corinth	2	00— 7 25
Rev. J. B. Lowman's charge—		
Bethel	3	00
“ (F. M.)	3	00
St. David's	7	00
“ (F. M.)	3	30
St. Peter's	2	85
“ (F. M.)	2	80— 21 95
Rev. C. H. Bernheim's charge—		
Long Swamp, Fla.	10	00
Ocatee, Fla.	8	03
Columbia County, Fla.	10	20— 28 23
		\$742 15

The Society now went into an election for officers, which resulted in the choice of the former members, with the exception of Rev. J. P. Margart, whose place as Recording Secretary was supplied by the election of Rev. J. Hawkins, and on the Executive Committee, of Rev. J. A. Brown, D. D.

OFFICERS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Mr. J. F. SCHIRMER, President.

Revs. Dr. BACHMAN, and G. HALTIWANGER, and Major J. P. KINARD, Vice Presidents.

Rev. JACOB HAWKINS, Recording Secretary.

Rev. T. S. BOINEST, Corresponding Secretary.

Mr. J. J. DREHER, Treasurer.

Executive Committee—Revs. W. BERLY, J. A. BROWN, D. D., J. HAWKINS, and S. BOUKNIGHT, Mr. M. BARRE, and Major J. P. KINARD.

Resolved, That all petitions for aid from this Society be referred to the Executive Committee.

The Corresponding Secretary read his report, which was adopted.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

REPORT No. 2.

Dear Brethren—

Since another ecclesiastical year has again rolled round, duty requires that you be presented with the regular report of the office which you have entrusted to my care, and I am gratified to be able to communicate the pleasing intelligence, that our efforts for building up the Church of the Reformation have been, in a large degree, blessed by the Head of the Church.

Immediately after the adjournment of the last Synod, Rev. C. H. Bernheim was commissioned as Missionary to Florida, who, as soon as he could make the necessary arrangements, emigrated with his family to that State, and early entered upon his duties, which he has continued to prosecute with untiring energy. He has made his regular reports to this office, from which we learn that much success has attended his efforts to build up our Zion, in that land of flowers. He has organized two congregations, and material has been prepared, and is nearly ready, for the organization of several others. Three churches are about to be erected, and a school-house large enough to answer as a temporary house of worship. Twenty-four white and twenty colored members have been received, and others are prepared for taking this step as soon as an opportunity is afforded. But while your Missionary has been so signally blessed in his labors, he informs us that the field is too large for a single laborer to occupy to advantage, and urges us to send at least one more laborer into this inviting field. We trust we may be able, at this meeting, to attain this desirable object.

Our Mission Church in Charleston, over which our hearts were for a long time saddened, has at length secured the services of an able and efficient pastor, under whose care and zealous labor the church has been revived, and is now in a flourishing condition; almost every pew has been rented, and the congregations are large and respectable, so we trust, that, with our continued support for a little while longer, this will not only become a self-sustaining enterprise, but a remunerative one to this Society.

Rev. J. P. Margart has occupied the church at Orangeburg for the past Synodical year, and seems to be encouraged to prosecute the work, in view of the prospects before him; but thinks, if arrangements could be made for a minister to reside among them, and give them his entire time, more could be accomplished and the enterprise would sooner become self-sustaining.

Your Secretary regrets that he has to report our Augusta Mission as a total failure. Immediately after the last meeting of the Society, I entered into a correspondence with the Rev. J. H. Baden, the result was the acceptance of the appointment, and he immediately repaired to Augusta, for the purpose of entering upon his duties; but, to his utter surprise, he found that the very persons to whom he was directed, as possessing a large degree of interest in the enterprise, were not only indifferent, but opposed to it, and, totally discouraged, he immediately returned to New York. The President of this Society paid him \$50, to defray his expenses, which, we trust, under the circumstances, will meet the approbation of the Society.

Your Secretary has not learned that any one has, during the year, supplied the church in St. Stephen's Parish, consequently the appropriation for that point will not be required.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. BOINEST,

Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society.

Adjourned till Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

The Society was opened with prayer by Rev. A. W. Lindler.

The Minutes of Saturday were read and confirmed.

Mr. H. Cobia presented the following :

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Account, report that they have discharged the duty, and find it all correct, showing a balance in his hands, of bonds, notes, and cash, amounting to \$1811.79, as per statement of annexed account current.

Respectfully submitted,

H. COBIA.

GERHARD MULLER.

In Ac't with the Synodical Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of So. Carolina and adjacent States.

HENRY CORIA.
GERHARD MULLER.

October 29, 1859.

Rev. J. P. Margart offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society be tendered to the Sunday School and Ladies' Society of Charleston, also, to the various congregations and individuals, for their liberal contributions to our Missionary Fund, at this meeting.

Rev. W. Berly, Chairman of Executive Committee, submitted a report, which was taken up by items, and the following appropriations made by the Society :

To Rev. C. H. Bernheim, in Florida.....	\$300
To Rev. J. P. Margart, at Orangeburg.....	200
To Rev. J. N. Derrick, at Graniteville.....	300
To Rev. L. Bedenbaugh, expenses last year in Campbell Co., Georgia.....	50
To Rev. W. S. Bowman, Charleston.....	300
To Rev. C. F. Bansemer, at Kuhlman's Mines.....	100
To Rev. E. B. Hort, Columbia.....	100
To Rev. G. Haltiwanger, expenses, as per order of Synod.....	18

Total,..... \$1,368

Rev. C. H. Bernheim offered the following :

Resolved, That hereafter any person or congregation making application to this Society for aid, report the number of congregations in the charges, and the membership thereof.

Resolved, That the claims of Arkansas be referred to the Executive Committee with a view to a correspondence with the Executive Committee of the Missionary Society of the Synod of North Carolina, for the purpose of securing a missionary, and bearing part of the expenses which will be thus incurred.

Rev. J. P. Margart offered these resolutions :

Resolved, That the Synod be requested to have the proceedings of this Society appended to their Minutes.

Resolved, That Revs. A. J. Karn and W. S. Bowman, be appointed by this Society to deliver addresses at our next annual meeting.

Resolved, That this Society do now adjourn, to meet at Luther Chapel, in the town of Newberry, on Saturday of the next meeting of Synod, at 12 o'clock.

Adjourned by rising.

JACOB HAWKINS,
Recording Secretary of Missionary Society.

MINUTES OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED MINISTERS, &c.

BETH-EDEN, Nov. 1st, 1859.

Society convened to-day, Mr. W. K. Bachman in the Chair, and a call being made, the following amounts were paid in as contributions and as donations to the Society :

Dr. G. Muller	\$3 00
Henry Cobia	1 00
Thos. O'Sullivan.....	1 00
Mrs. J. Bachman	10 00
E. A. Bolles.....	5 00
G. V. Antwerp	5 00
W. J. Rivers	7 50
Rev. J. Bachman	5 00
W. K. Bachman	10 00
From Female Sunday School Society, Charleston.....	70 00
Total amount received	<u>\$117 50</u>

The election for Officers was now held, and resulted as follows :

PRESIDENT...	Wm. K. Bachman.
VICE-PRESIDENT.....	Rev. G. Haltiwanger.
SECRETARY	Rev. T. S. Boinest.
TREASURER	F. C. Blum.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	Messrs. J. F. Schirmer, D. G. Muller, J. B. Counts, S. Corley and Rev. E. B. Hort.

The account current of the Treasurer was now handed in, and on motion, ordered that the same be referred to Mr. J. F. Schirmer for examination, and be entered on the minutes.

F. C. BLUM, Treasurer, in Account with Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Ministers.

	DR.	1859.	C.R.
1858.			
Nov'ber .	Balance in hands at this date	\$194 25	Deposited in Savings' Institution.....
1859.	Received Rev. G. D. B.'s principal and interest of note in full.....		do
January .	Received one year and five months' interest of Rev. G. D. B.'s note to date.....	21 40	do
April . . .	Received on account of principal of ditto.....	5 14	do
"	" Qr's interest from Savings' Institution..	16 33	do
"	" Addy's bond, principal and interest, in full	2 70	do
July.....	" Half-year's interest from S. Institution .	123 44	do dividend.....
October .		7 00	Balance due Treasurer
1859.			
October .	Balance due Treasurer.....	\$370 26	
		44	\$370 26

F. C. BLUM, Treasurer.

ASSETS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

A bond of C. H. Bernheim's dated 18th February, 1858, interest on the same paid to 18th Oct., 1858.....	\$625 00
A note of G. D. Bernheim's, dated 1st March, 1855, and interest paid up to April, 1859.....	35 53
Amount on deposit in the Charleston Savings' Institution	370 70
	<u>\$1,031 23</u>

The above account examined and found correct.

JACOB F. SCHIRMER.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay over to Dr. Todd ten dollars, being balance due him as per his account handed in last year.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be tendered to the Female Sunday School Society of Charleston for their liberal donation.

Propositions were offered for various alterations in some of the rules of the Society, which were, on motion, considered, and ordered to lie over until the next meeting, for a final action.

Resolved, That a request be made to Synod, to have the proceedings of our Society appended to their minutes.

On motion, the Society now adjourned.

T. S. BOINEST, Secretary.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Rev. J. Bachman,

“ J. B. Anthony,

“ E. Dufford,

“ E. B. Hort,

“ E. A. Bolles,

“ T. S. Boimest,

“ G. Haltiwanger,

“ J. H. Bailey,

Rev. J. Austin,

“ G. D. Bernheim,

Messrs. J. F. Schirmer,

Robert Chisolm,

F. C. Blum,

J. B. Counts,

W. K. Bachman.

MEMORIAL

OF THE

REV. L. EICHELBERGER, D. D.

The design of this brief sketch of our esteemed brother, is simply to give a condensed statement of his life and character, to be preserved among the chronicles of the Synod, as a perpetual memorial of one whose life and labors deserve to live in the history of the church. The Rev. L. Eichelberger was born in Frederick County, Md., on the 25th of August, 1803. He was blessed with godly parents, who sought to lead him early to Christ, and in the way of his Commandments. The impressions of his early years of religious instruction, and the religious influences of his youthful home, were seen in his Christian manhood. In his Ministerial Journal, we find the following beautiful tribute to his aged father, under date of June 5th, 1829. He writes:

“During my absence, spent a few days with my good old father, at his residence in Frederick County, Maryland. Oh, how thankful should we be for the blessing of a *devoted, affectionate, and especially truly pious father!* To his ardent prayers, it may be, I am indebted to that kind providence of God which has brought me to see my sins, and done so much for me as to associate me with himself in the great work of salvation. How great is the solicitude of an affectionate parent for the happiness of his children! How many the curious interrogations made, only to discover if we are happy and satisfied in life! Does a father love his own children, how much more God all them that put their trust in him. My dear father is now at least sixty-five years of age. I have parted from him, and whether God will

grant me the pleasure of meeting him again on earth, is known only to him. But I will not complain. In much mercy he has been spared to his children much longer than we had any reason to hope. May his gray hairs be brought down in peace to the grave, when it is my Heavenly Father's will to call his spirit hence."

From a sketch of his life, published in the Lutheran Observer, we make the following extracts :

He graduated in Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., September 27th, 1826. "From the 'order of exercises' of that commencement, we see that the deceased was a class-mate of the *Rev. Dr. Baugher*, President of Pennsylvania College, and of *George Buchanan*, brother of the President of the United States. The *Valedictory*, noted as the first honor, was taken by Mr. Buchanan ; the *Latin Salutatory*, a second honor, was given to Dr. Baugher ; and the *English Salutatory*, also a second honor, was assigned to Dr. Eichelberger.

From College he at once removed to the newly organized Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, and became a member of the first class formed in that institution, and one of its first graduates. After spending two years in the study of theology, he was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Maryland and Virginia, convened in Shepherdstown, October 21, 1828. The feelings and purposes with which this important step was taken, will appear from his "Ministerial Journal," from which we extract the following :

"Oh, thou dear Saviour, thou Head and Bishop of thy church and ministry, oh grant to thy young servant, who has now dedicated himself to thee wholly and entirely, all the strength and grace necessary to a high standing of usefulness and service in thy church. May he not fail to declare all the counsel of God, to be instant in season and out of season, to do the work of an evangelist, and to make full proof of his ministry, so that at death and thy great judgment day, he may take his hearers to record that he is pure from their blood. This grant, oh Lord, for thine own name's sake."

Whilst yet a student of theology, the deceased accepted an urgent invitation from the Council of the Lutheran Church of Winchester, Va., to visit them and preach for them. The result of this visit was his unanimous election as pastor of the congre-

gation. Immediately after his licensure he repaired to his new field of labor, and at once commenced his duties.

This connection continued until May 1st, 1833, (a period of four years and six months,) when the charge of the church in Winchester was resigned, but that of the country churches retained. About this time Dr. Eichelberger opened a female school in this place, known as Angenova Seminary, and shortly after became proprietor and editor of a weekly journal, still known as "The Virginian." In these several occupations he continued actively and usefully engaged until the year 1849, when he was elected to the Professorship of Theology in the Lutheran Seminary at Lexington, S. C. At first he declined the appointment, but was induced to change his decision, and he then removed from Winchester, after a residence of more than twenty years. As Professor of Theology, he labored with the same untiring diligence and conscientious fidelity with which all his preceding duties had been discharged. He continued to serve the church in that responsible capacity until impaired health made it proper for him to ask a release. In the year 1853, his position and attainments were suitably recognized by one of the oldest and most influential literary institutions of our country. The honorary degree of *Doctor of Divinity* was conferred by Princeton College. He resigned his professorship in March, 1858, and immediately returned to Winchester, warmly welcomed by many ardent friends. His time, however, was not without its appropriate employment. He eagerly seized the leisure at his disposal for the execution of a long cherished purpose, to prepare for the press a compact and popular "*History of the Lutheran Church*," for which he had made extensive preparation in the collection of materials and the sketching of chapters, as other duties permitted, or other pursuits and studies furnished opportunities. Although frequently interrupted by illness, and much disabled by bodily weakness, he yet lived to finish his last work of love to his church, of which he was ever an admiring, loyal son, and a faithful, self-denying servant. Death found him with the harness still on, ready to do or die as his Lord might order. His death was peace, was triumph. It was a privilege which shall never be forgotten to see his heavenly composure, and to hear his dying utterances. When he had but strength to whisper a few words at a time, he said to a brother in the ministry—"Christ is a precious Saviour—he does more than he promises

for his dying followers. Go, preach to sinners, Christ will save them all. Nothing but Christ will do in death." He died in faith on Friday evening, September 16th."

"He being dead yet speaketh." This is not an arbitrary decree, it is the necessary condition of human life. We influence others according to our characters continually while we live. But death has a peculiar power of bringing out distinctly the characters of the departed. With what lively and deep impression it paints their portraits! Resisting the effacing fingers of time and mortality, how it clears up the features and deepens the lines, perhaps before dim to us, in the chambers of the heart! No pencil has truth and force like that of death. Nothing will reveal us like death to those we leave behind. Let our departed brother remind us of this. Our example of fidelity in the earthly post of duty, shall not only adorn the station itself, but send light along the track of our successive co-workers in it. It shall be a voice of good cheer, a reviving word to them, like that flung out from the watchman's trumpet to the tempest-tossed and benighted sailor, a word of guidance and safety.

It is not true, then, that while

"The evil that men do lives after them,
The good is oft interred with their bones."

The good work we build shall stand when the earthly workman is dead. Like our lamented brother, being dead, we shall yet speak in some way. God grant we may so fulfil our mission, that when gone we may speak for Christ, and souls, and the divine glory.

T. STORK.

J. A. BROWN.

